

**Growth Management Subcommittee
Weare Planning Board**

The Growth Management Subcommittee of the Weare Planning Board met on Monday, July 21, 2008, in the town offices. Present were Chuck Bolton, Neal Kurk and Matt Thomas. The meeting began at 7 p.m.

The subcommittee approved the minutes of the July 14th meeting. Data was presented and discussed, including a draft GMO for Weare based on the Londonderry model. Neal is to get "as built" housing data from OEP for Weare and its surrounding towns for the past 10 years, as well as criminal offense reports for the same towns and time period. Chuck presented a chart comparing growth rates for the general and school populations and noted the two were related, with school population growth lagging general population growth by seven years. Chuck emphasized the two needs associated with school growth: physical capacity and tax capacity. Chuck will expand his draft report for the subcommittee, emphasizing the problem with "spikes," the need for fairness, the school/population connection and implementing the rural character aspect of the Master Plan. Matt presented a fleshed-out analysis of school population growth and will put in chart form the data on which it is based.

The next meeting was scheduled for Wednesday, July 30, 2008, at 9 a.m. in the town offices. The meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Neal M. Kurk